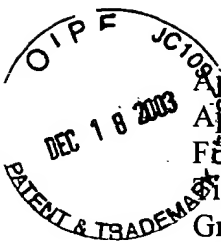


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Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed herein is an amendment and response to the office action dated **August 15, 2003 (Paper #3)**. Claims 1-13 are pending in the present application. The Examiner has rejected claims 1-11 and objected to claims 12-13. Please consider the following amendments and remarks.